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The Parkersburg Conference.

Some of our Democratic friends have had at Parkersburg their long desired meeting to get matters in shape for the coming campaign. There were more of the active men of the party who were not there, but those who were present include the men who control the organization—except occasionally in a State convention—who give the most scientific care to the party welfare as they understand it, and who will manage the coming campaign.

What has been the practical outcome of the conference? This is what interests Republicans and Democrats. The Intelligencer is of the opinion that the Democracy has been somewhat strengthened by the gathering. Perhaps it would be more accurate to say that Senator Camden's friends are in better condition. His friends have resolved upon a plan of campaign rather slavishly conceived, and they understand each other. Each of them will operate according to his own hundred.

Besides this the State Committee will at once address itself to carrying out the plan as agreed upon. Ex-Senator Davis goes into the National Committee and that accomplishes two or three things well worth accomplishing.

In addition to all this some active men who were disposed to rebel have been impressed with the propriety of electing Democrats to the Legislature without regard of their Senatorial preference, thinking it possible that when the time comes they may be able to whip Camden in the caucus.

Those who have a turn for following out these lines to their several conclusions will note that the conference was by no means winded time. There will be some remissness because of some conspicuous omission in issuing the invitations, but Democratic politicians have a way of getting over these things by election time.

The public address to open the fighting and prevent the party and its management from being put on the defensive and "sent packing," as was said, is a good thing and does credit to the agile intellects that conceived it.

It is true he is anxious to say whether it will produce the results hoped for, but still it is a good thought. The resolve to sow dissensions in the Republicans makes it not quite so good, because there is less prospect of its success in the case of that party which theDemocrats were compelled to give it as a piece of interesting news. Being forewarned, Republicans will very naturally decline, dally but politely, to cut each other's throats upon the suggestion of their Democratic friends.

Some months intervene between the conference and the day of battle, and there is plenty of time to think it over.

Blessing the Boys.

The Postmaster General who has been rather indolent in the making room for Democratic office-seekers has wakened up. The order issued Thursday dispensing with the services of thirty-five Republican post clerks running into Cincinnati is an earnest of what may be expected to follow.

The excuse offered for this wholesale dismissal, that the men were preparing to strike is one of the weakest subterfuges to conceal a partisan act that could well have been invented. It is not in keeping with the following, which appeared in the Cincinnati Commercial Gazette of Thursday:

A great number of postoffice employees and mail agents were yesterday afternoon discussing the affairs of the mail service, and an ex-agent, recently discharged for "offensive partisanship"—the offensive partisanship constituting a loyal adherence to Republican principles—was being sympathized with. The ex-agent said: "Boys, you'd better reserve some of that sympathy, for there'll be a need of it in our own case soon."

"How do you know?" was asked by a reporter who was present.

"Well, I tell you, I know it to be a fact every man there is a member of the Democratic party, a number of prominent active Democrats have been importuning him to make place for some of their friends; and he can now stand the pressure no longer, and so has consented. Last week a number of these importunate Democrats were after him again, and before the meeting broke up a list of thirty-five names of small agents in the Fifth Division was made, and these men will be used for their resignations, to take effect July 1. The thirty-five men to be 'fired' are all staunch Republicans, and all run into Cincinnati."

What is the use of baying around the bush? The Democratic party has no more respect for Civil Service Reform than it does for its President. Your true Democratic patriot wants offices, wants it bad, and is unable to understand why any contrivance like the Civil Service Commission shall stand between him and the rapturous embrace of the party's patronage.

The INTELLIGENCER never objects when a Democrat, being a proper man, gets an office in a proper way. But it is a highly improper way when a pretext is invented to make a vacancy which the President has not the courage to make by the exercise of his right. The objection lies against using Civil Service reform as a cloak for a party partisan manipulation of the offices.

The summer vacation.

The season is at hand when the young man who toils and perspires in the heat and dust of the city is scanning railway guides with a view to picking out a pleasant route by which he may reach the cooling shade for his summer rest.

While it is pleasant to get out in the country for a week and enjoy the pure atmosphere, still it is very seldom such pastoral spots are sought by the young man

who is fortunate enough to get a ten days leave of absence from his business. He wants to see the world and generally makes the mistake of going to some distant and crowded resort where, instead of enjoying restful comfort he pays for as many inconveniences as he can find anywhere on the globe. He is fatigued by a long and dusty journey, and is no sooner rested than he has to pack up and start on the return trip, reaching home in anything but a pleasant frame of mind.

If rest is what our young man is after, if he signs for solid comfort and wants to go back to his work fresh as the day that blooms in the field, let him select some spot in the country not a thousand miles away, in reaching which it will not be necessary to rack his bones and deplete his pocket book.

Expense is another item in the summer vacation no less important than the pleasure sought. Many young men cannot afford to take extended journeys, but they do so because some of their companions do who have incomes that will stand the drain. The young man who eats his garment according to his cloth is happier than the one who goes over the limit, and has to pinch and economize to catch up.

If you must go away consult the condition of your finances and be a reasonable, happy and contented young man. That's the kind of a vacation to take.

SHORT CHECK.
The Condition of the Crop—A Family on Road Making.
Correspondence of the Intelligencer.

SHORT CREEK, W. Va., June 25.—The continued showers we are having in connection with warm weather induces a rank growth of vegetation. Harvest is nearly upon us, and corn has not received its third plowing. It seems to be a race between the weeds and the corn. Both are growing rapidly. The older farmers say that weedy land is best for corn as it necessitates frequent culture. If we had no weeds in our mixed crops few farmers would give them as much cultivation as is needed. Thus we learn that even weeds are a "blessing in disguise," and the old prediction respecting the earth, "That thorns and thistles shall produce man's meat" is fully verified.

The potato crop is variable. Some that were planted during the dry hot weather in May failed to come up well. The bugs are plenty and very troublesome, but are kept down by using Paris green and lime. The recent rains have destroyed many of them.

We host, which has been showing heads the first of the month, is now nearly ripe. The crop generally will be fair beyond the expectations of the farmers, in quality if not quantity.

The oats and barley crops will be an average ones. They have both become an important crop, as the yield is larger than corn and requires less labor to produce them.

Very few farmers in this neighborhood have ever seen the day when a bushel of oats would buy a bushel of corn, as is now the case.

The continued rainy spell has caused our roads to be almost impassable. This is the greatest drawback to this Short Creek region. The farmers are beginning to see the great advantage of a good road, and the advocates of the same living in the cities are here. There is sufficient money spent every year to make a permanent improvement, that is now scattered in improvements of a temporary character. It is time to abandon the old system of road making, such as piling in the roadway soft earth. It is a silly waste in any locality. Some pennywise economists will say stone roads are too expensive in construction to allow them to be made among these Short Creek hills. Not so. Dirt roads are too expensive, not in the making but in the use of soft earth for road dredging or road making is but a poor make shift. It is never good except in the dry weather, and when it is frozen in the winter. Repairs are constantly needed, and if made with the same material they are thrown away. Why not abandon the senseless method, particularly in a region where stones can be had for the hauling? A good stone road will last twenty years, and ten to one will be more serviceable every day than the ordinary dirt road at its best. What is wanted is a good beginning. Start with stone, and when well beaten down they will constitute the convincing argument in favor of continuing the work. When will the start be made?

AMUSEMENTS.
PEOPLE'S THEATRE:

O. C. GENTHER, LORE and MARIAH. One week only, commencing on MONDAY, JUNE 26, at 8 P.M. The new comedy and Vocalist.

EGENE O. JEPSON, And his Great TIDE of FORTUNE CO.

Grand National Wednesday and Saturday Afternoons. Reserved seats on sale at Stein's Music Store.

CLUBS & OFFICES.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MUSICK COUNTY, WHEELING, W. VA., May 26, 1886.

Sealed Proposals will be received at this office until Wednesday, June 28, 1886, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purchase of a new organ and a new piano forte, and a new grand piano.

LOUIS A. SHIRLEY, JOHN BRENNAN, Captain, L. L. Lacy and Chas. H. Evans, Cooks.

WILL leave regularly for the above every SATURDAY at 3 P.M. For all information call on John BRENNAN, Frank BARTH, Agent.

PUBLIC SALE OF LAW BOOKS.

On Saturday, June 26, at 2 P.M., the Law Library of the late Daniel Fox will be sold at auction in the Court House of Musick County.

OLIVIA PECK, Executive.

NOTICE.

Mrs. J. KELIM is hereby notified to clean privy vault forthwith, on premises, No. 1128 Charles street, Wheeling, W. Va.

GEO. L. GARRISON, Health Officer.

BATISTE AND P. K.

TECKS: A Beautiful Evening Pearl, at the Star.

D. GUNZELIN & CO., 36 Twelfth Street.

SALE OF RAILROAD BONDS.

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CLOTHING--Ralph Kline,

ARGUMENT NOT NECESSARY!

THE WHEELING DAILY INTELLIGENCER: SATURDAY MORNING, JUNE 26, 1886.

BREAKFAST BUDGET.
A fresh colony of silk raisins will reach Orlando, Fla., next September.

An ivory six foot long, has been unearthed in an Ashby (Ohio) gravel pit.

New York advertisement: "Your hair dressed Mizrahi for twenty-five cents."

New York clergymen have begun a movement to suppress Mormon immigration.

Upward of 25,000 persons registered as visitors to Booker Hill monument the past year.

Frog's legs from Canadian river marshes are being sold in New York for forty cents a pound.

The ocean steamer fleet, carrying tourists abroad, now numbers 150 vessels, but never a one dies the stars and stripes.

The Jews at the Jewish colony in the Northwest are threatened with starvation. Relief measures are being taken.

In a chivalrous but pathetic way Montana bachelors name a town in honor of a girl and then wait for the girl to come.

Cattlemen in Western Texas have organized an association for the sinking of an extensive system of wells for the watering stock.

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